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THE HEDGEHOG VS. METAL SONIC VS. SHADOW!

THE GOOD
THE BAD
AND THE
UNKNOWN

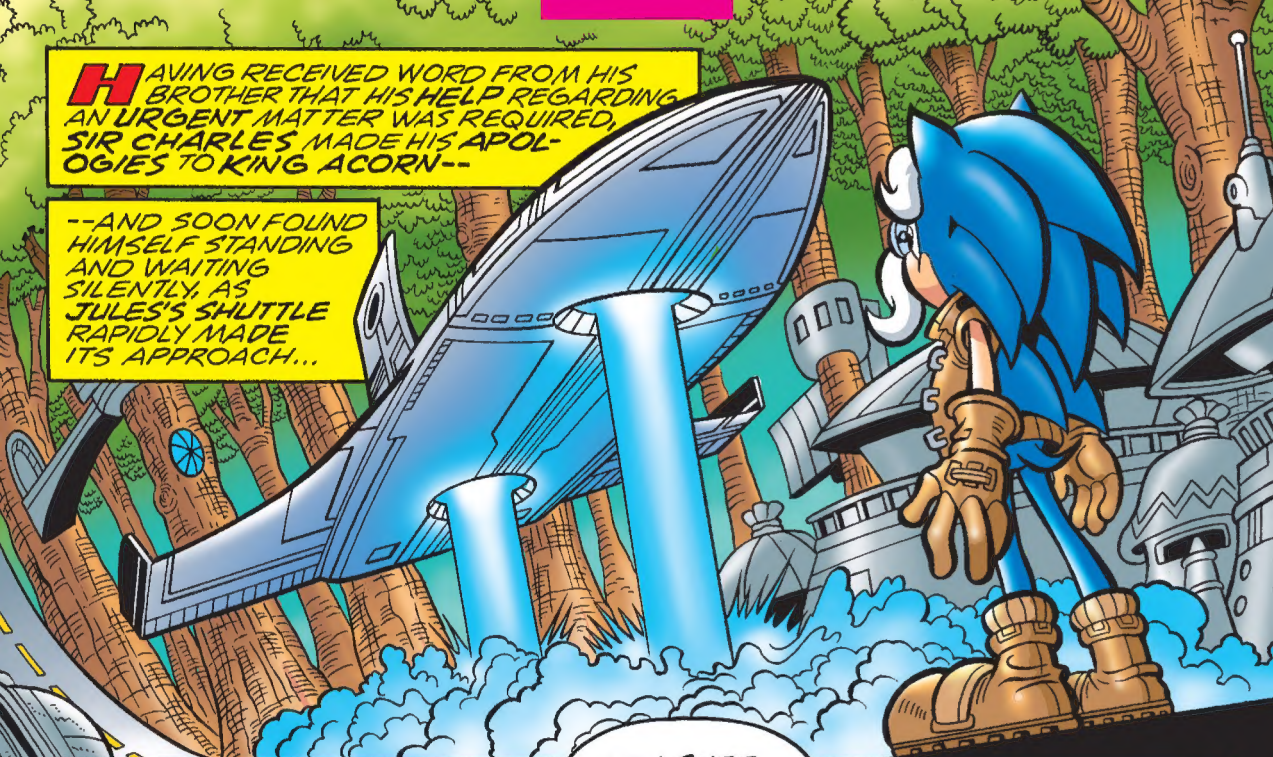


FINAL ROUND

[Signature]

HAVING RECEIVED WORD FROM HIS BROTHER THAT HIS HELP REGARDING AN URGENT MATTER WAS REQUIRED, SIR CHARLES MADE HIS APOLOGIES TO KING ACORN--

--AND SOON FOUND HIMSELF STANDING AND WAITING SILENTLY, AS JULES'S SHUTTLE RAPIDLY MADE ITS APPROACH...



YOU SURE YOU NEED ME ON THIS ONE?

MORE THAN EVER, CHARLES!

SORRY THIS CAN'T BE ONE OF YOUR SOCIAL VISITS.



YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT?

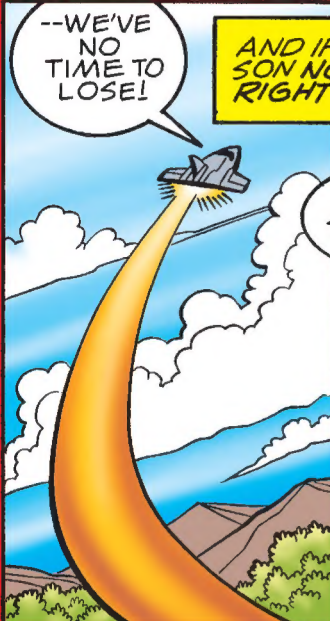
I THINK THAT SON OF MINE AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE FINALLY GOTTEN THEMSELVES IN A SITUATION WAY OVER THEIR HEADS!

--WE'VE NO TIME TO LOSE!

AND IF JULES COULD SEE HIS SON NOW, HE'D KNOW HOW RIGHT HE IS ON ALL COUNTS...



BETTER BUCKLE UP--



SECRETS?
WHAT SECRETS?



AND WHO WOULD I TELL?

A S YOU CAN
SEE BY
THE SCENE
BEFORE YOU,

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

IS IN A WORLD OF DEEP
DOO-DOO, SO LET'S
START WITH THAT AND
EXPLAIN AS WE GO...

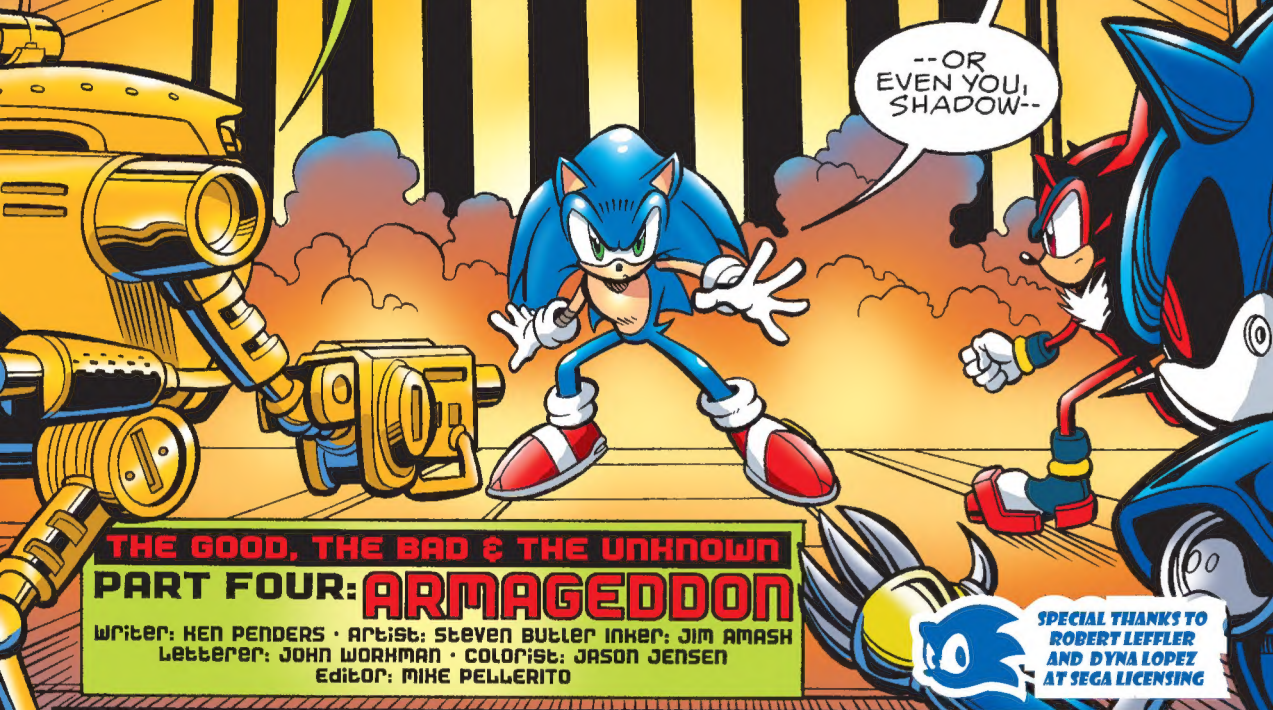
WHILE THERE'S A 93%
POSSIBILITY YOU COULD
BE STATING THE TRUTH
IN YOUR LACK OF
COMPREHENSION WITH
REGARD TO THE
SITUATION YOU NOW
FIND YOURSELF IN--

--THERE'S A 74%
PROBABILITY YOU
UNDERSTAND THE
SITUATION BEFORE YOU
AND ARE PLAYING
FOR TIME.

HEY, IF
YOU THINK
I COULD
PULL ONE
OVER ON
YOU--

--OR YOU,
METAL--

--OR
EVEN YOU,
SHADOW--

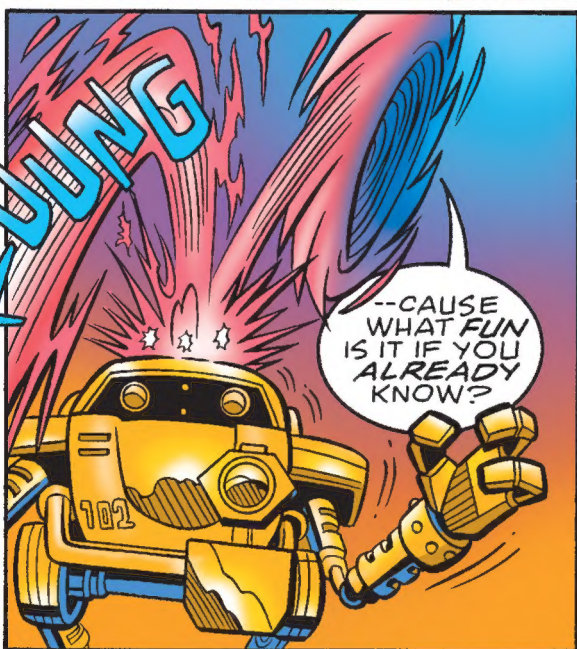
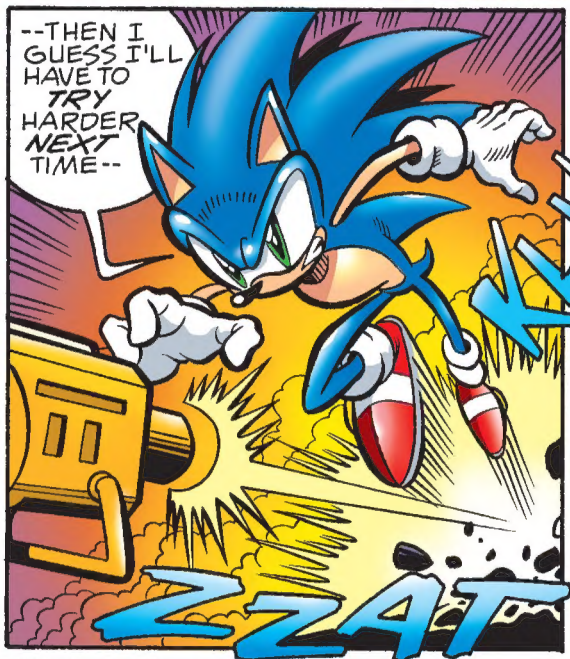


THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE UNKNOWN PART FOUR: ARMAGEDDON

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--THEN I
GUESS I'LL
HAVE TO
TRY
HARDER
NEXT
TIME--



--CAUSE
WHAT FUN
IS IT IF YOU
ALREADY
KNOW?

SURRENDER TO ME, HEDGEHOG--

--AND I'LL SEE TO IT THAT DOCTOR ROBOT-NIK--

--WILL BE QUITE MERCIFUL TO YOU!

HA! GOOD ONE!

I SEE HE'S PROGRAMMED YOU WITH SOME COMEDY ROUTINES....!

WHY GO THROUGH ALL THIS EFFORT?

YOU'LL BE EXHAUSTED BY THE TIME YOU GET TO THE TOP, IF YOU AREN'T ALREADY--

--UNABLE TO PUT UP MUCH OF A FIGHT--

--WITH THE END RESULT THE SAME!

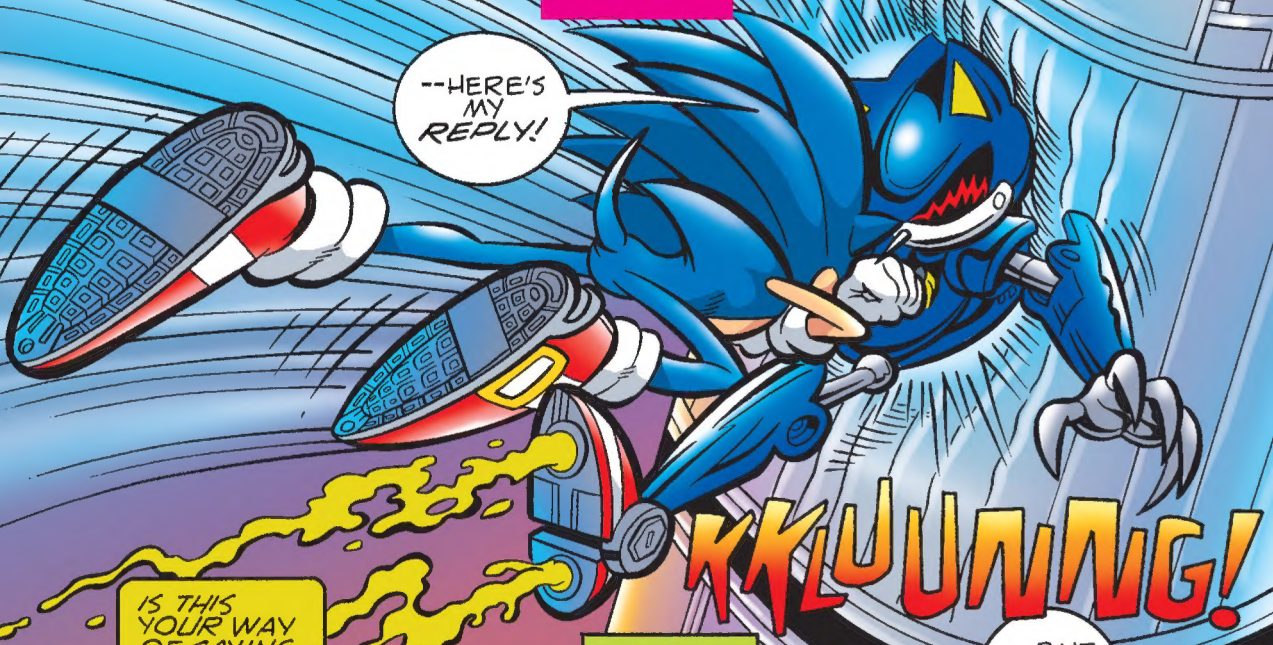
HE'S EXCEEDED THE LIMITATIONS A SENTIENT LIFE FORM WOULD NORMALLY BE CAPABLE OF.

HE CERTAINLY IS DIFFERENT--

--FROM OTHERS I'VE ENCOUNTERED--

"--TAKING RISKS THAT FEW OTHERS WOULD EVER CONTEMPLATE!"

ABOUT THAT SUGGESTION OF YOURS--



--HERE'S
MY
REPLY!

KKLUUNNG!

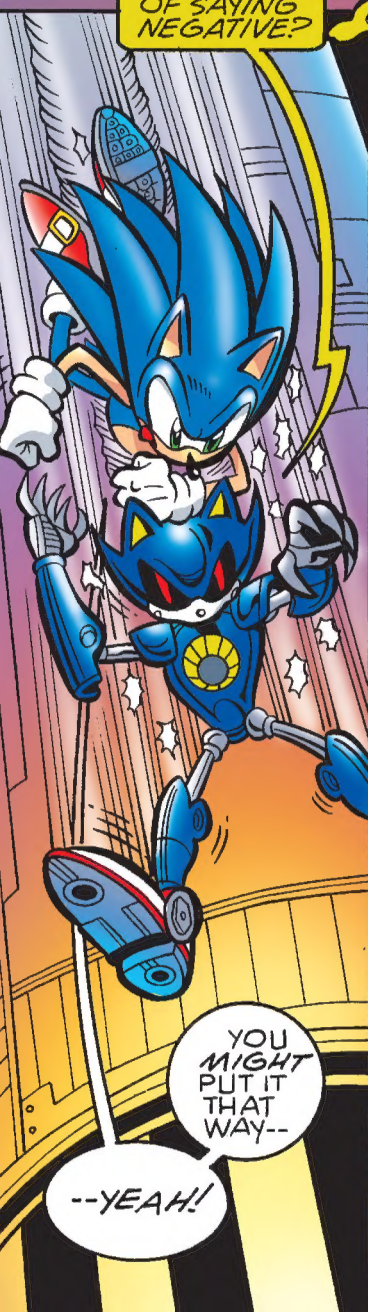
IS THIS
YOUR WAY
OF SAYING
NEGATIVE?

IS THE
HEDGEHOG
ALWAYS
LIKE THIS?

STANDARD
OPERATING
PROCEDURE
FOR HIM--

--BUT
THIS
TIME
HE
HAS--

YOU
WERE
SAYING,
SHAD?



YOU
MIGHT
PUT IT
THAT WAY--

--YEAH!



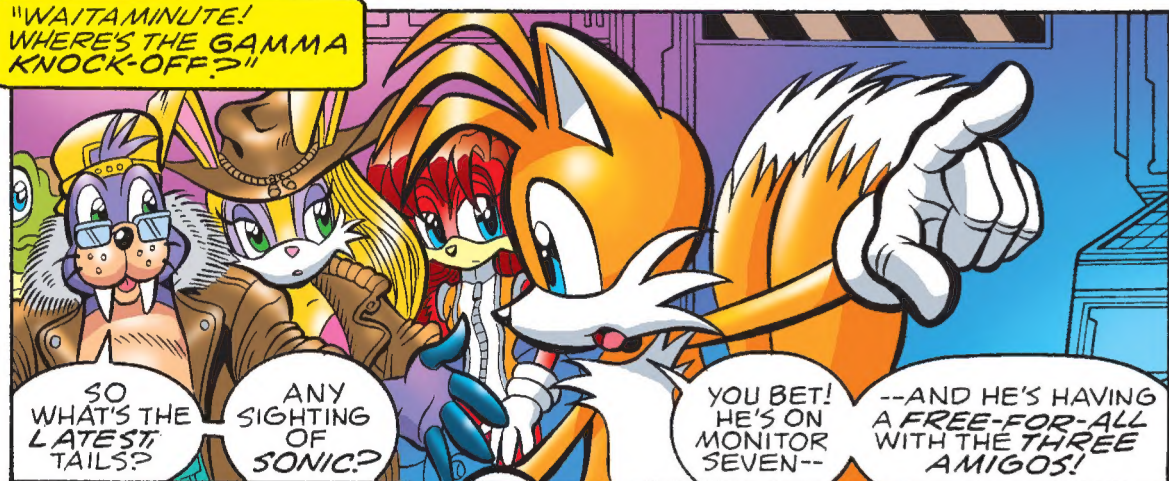
WHUMP!

OOOH,
THAT'S
GOTTA
HURT!

THOOM!



"WAIT A MINUTE!
WHERE'S THE GAMMA
KNOCK-OFF?"

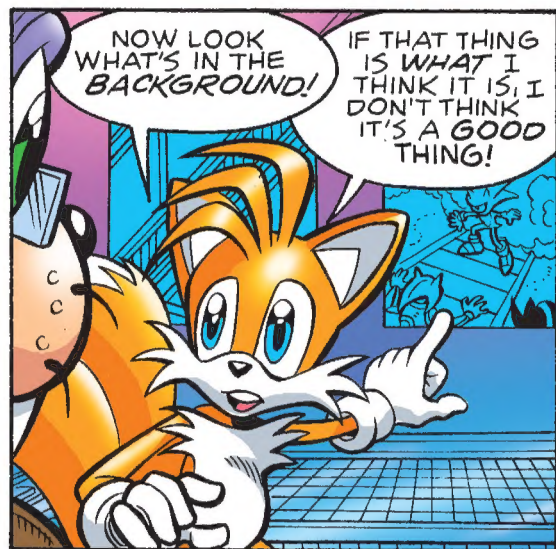


SO
WHAT'S THE
LATEST
TAILS?

ANY
SIGHTING
OF
SONIC?

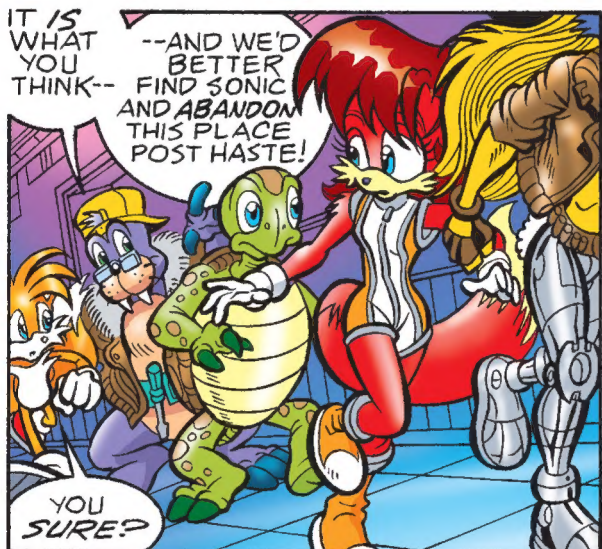
YOU BET!
HE'S ON
MONITOR
SEVEN--

--AND HE'S HAVING
A **FREE-FOR-ALL**
WITH THE **THREE**
AMIGOS!



NOW LOOK
WHAT'S IN THE
BACKGROUND!

IF THAT THING
IS **WHAT** I
THINK IT IS, I
DON'T THINK
IT'S A **GOOD**
THING!



IT **IS**
WHAT
YOU
THINK--

--AND WE'D
BETTER
FIND SONIC
AND **ABANDON**
THIS PLACE
POST HASTE!

YOU
SURE?



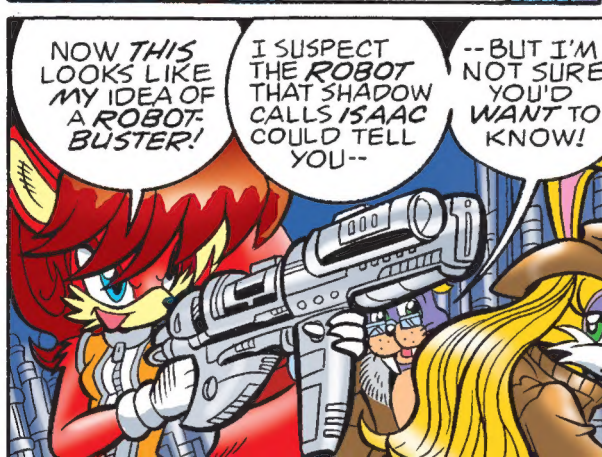
POSITIVE!

I DISCOVERED **ANCIENT**
DIAGRAMS OVER THE YEARS,
AND THAT OBJECT WAS
ONCE KNOWN AS A
NUCLEAR MISSILE--



--POSSIBLY THE **DEADLIEST**
WEAPON THAT EVER
EXISTED ON
THE PLANET!

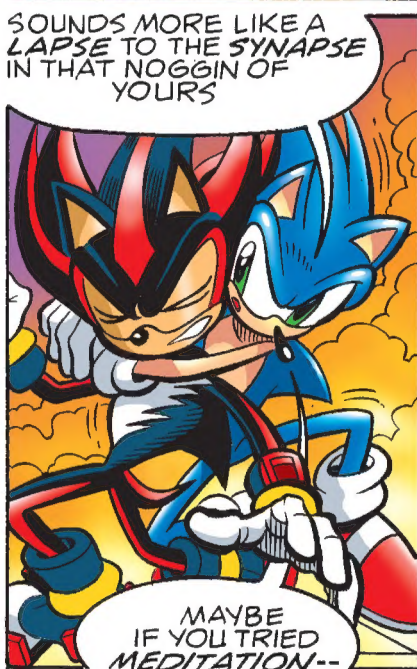
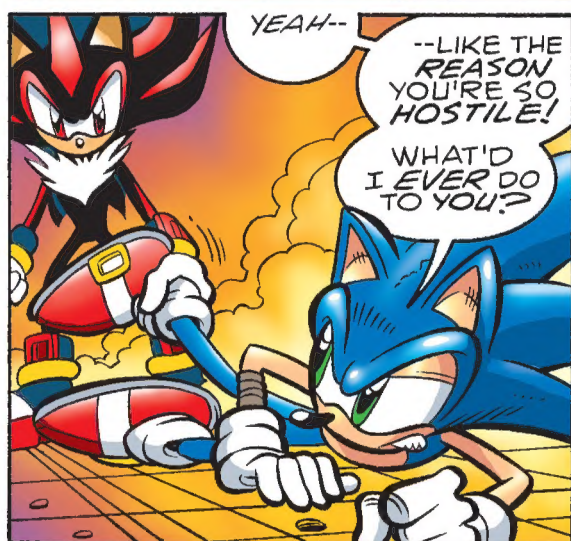
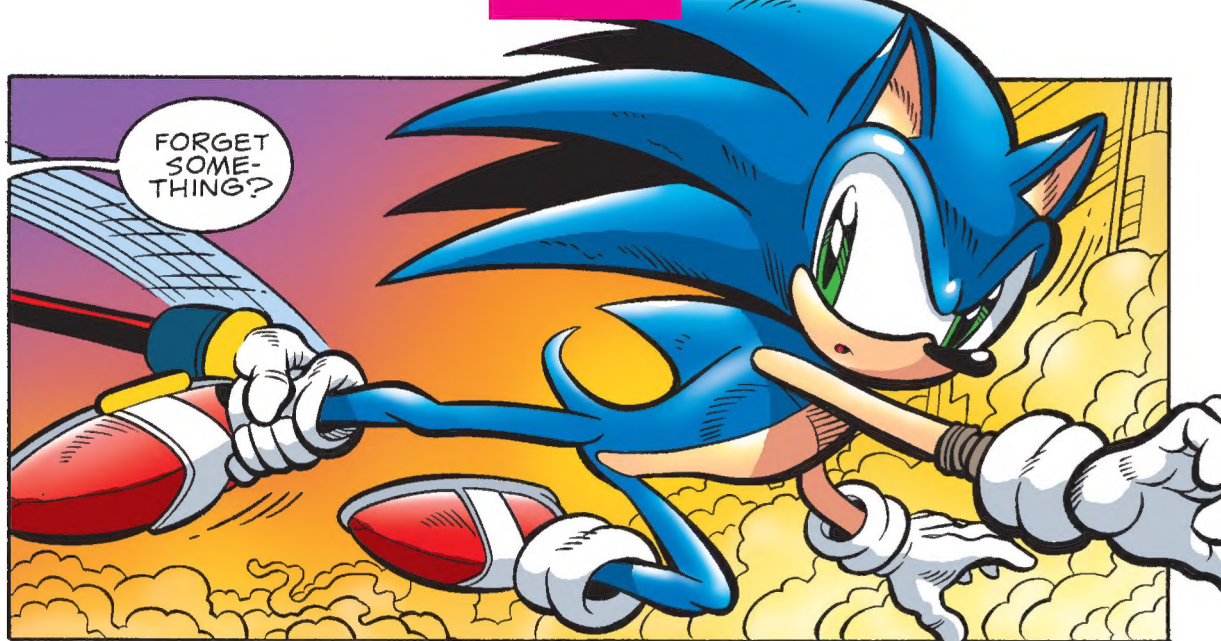
SO WHERE DID
IT COME FROM?



NOW **THIS**
LOOKS LIKE
MY IDEA OF
A **ROBOT**
BUSTER!

I SUSPECT
THE **ROBOT**
THAT SHADOW
CALLS **ISAAC**
COULD TELL
YOU--

--BUT I'M
NOT SURE
YOU'D
WANT TO
KNOW!





FREEDOM FIGHTERS *DON'T* RESORT TO USING GUNS OF ANY KIND!

NEVER HAVE!
NEVER WILL!

IT'S JUST NOT *OUR* WAY, FIONA!



BREE-BREEP-BREEP

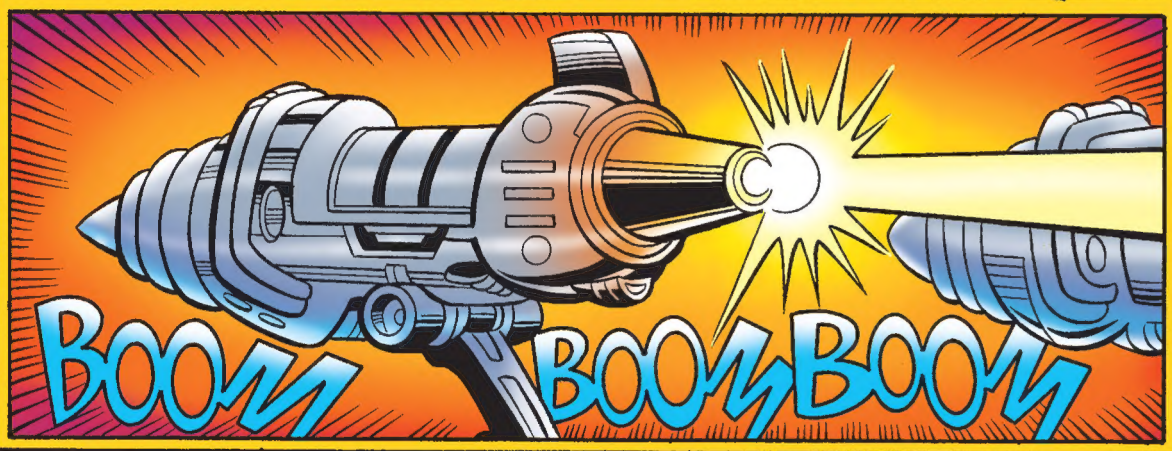
THE HEDGEHOG'S COMPANIONS ARE INSIDE THE ARMORY.

THAT COULD AFFECT THE OUTCOME CONSIDERABLY-



"-UNLESS PREEMPTIVE ACTION IS TAKEN."

WHRRR-RR KL'KL'K KL'IK-KLAK



BOOM BOOM BOOM



KUH



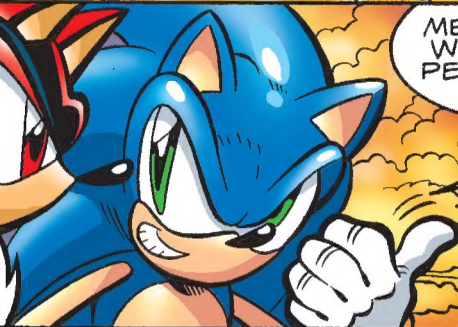
MAYBE I JUST DON'T LIKE YOUR ATTITUDE!

AWW, WHAT'S NOT TO LIKE?



SAY, DOES THE STEAM SEEM TO BE GETTING THICKER TO YOU?

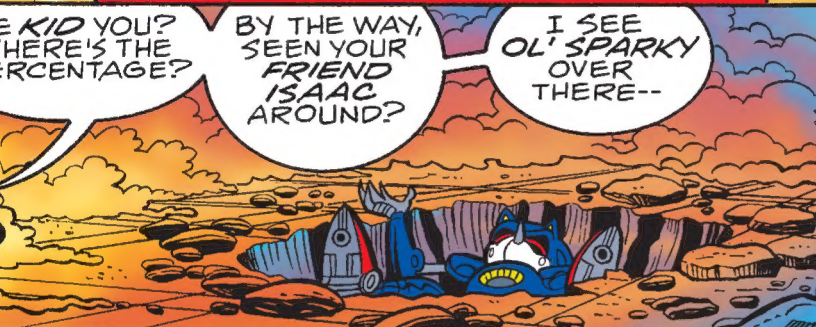
I WILL NOT BE DISTRACTED BY SUCH A CHILDISH PLOY!



ME KID YOU? WHERE'S THE PERCENTAGE?

BY THE WAY, SEEN YOUR FRIEND ISAAC AROUND?

I SEE OL' SPARKY OVER THERE--



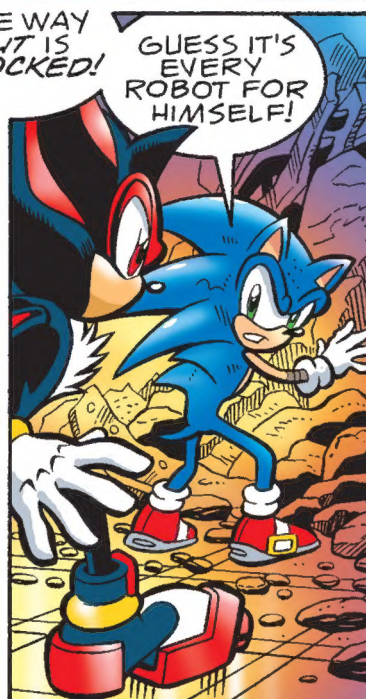
--BUT IT LOOKS LIKE MR. PERSONALITY CUT AND RAN!

YOU'RE RIGHT!

WHERE DO YOU SUPPOSE TO?

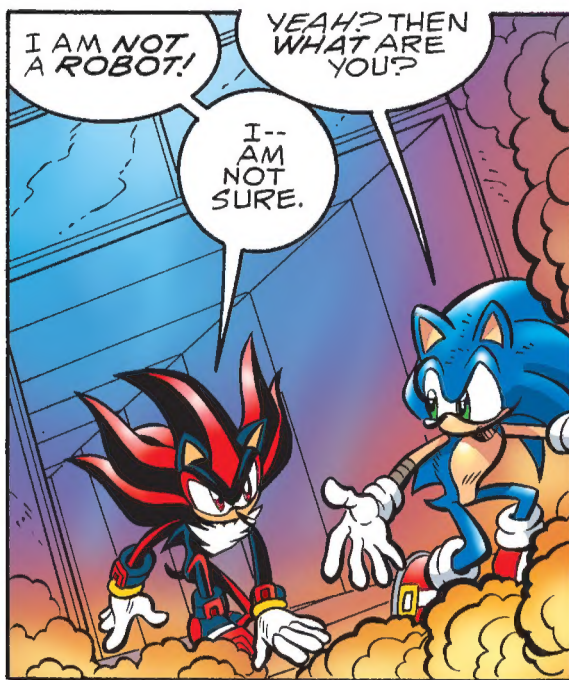


ANYWHERE THERE WASN'T ONE OF THESE ABOUT TO GO OFF!



THE WAY OUT IS BLOCKED!

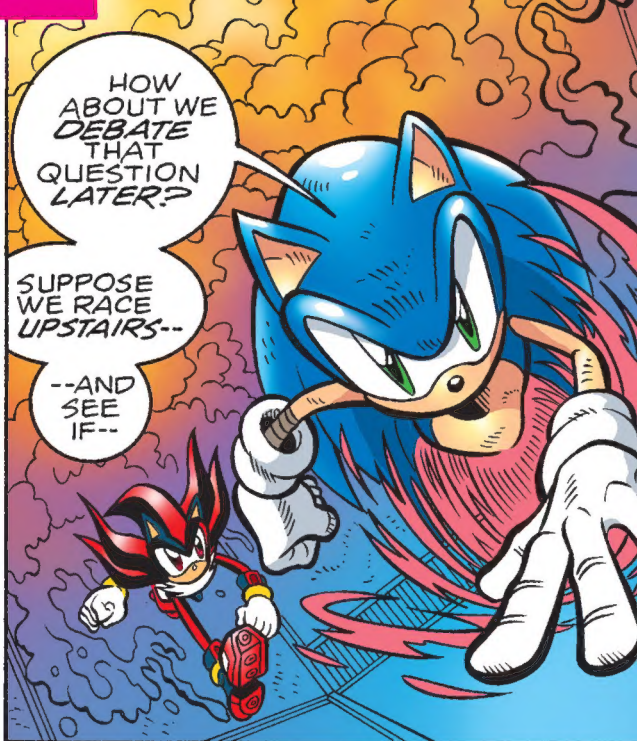
GUESS IT'S EVERY ROBOT FOR HIMSELF!



I AM NOT A ROBOT!

YEAH? THEN WHAT ARE YOU?

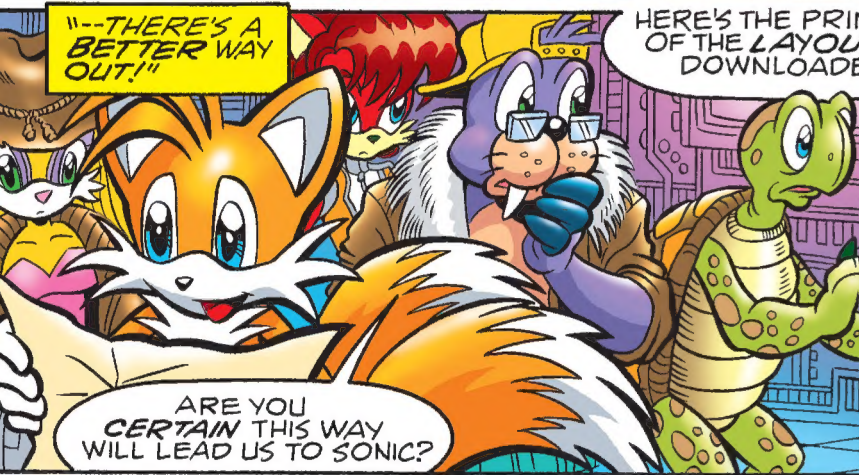
I-- AM NOT SURE.



HOW ABOUT WE DEBATE THAT QUESTION LATER?

SUPPOSE WE RACE UPSTAIRS--

--AND SEE IF--



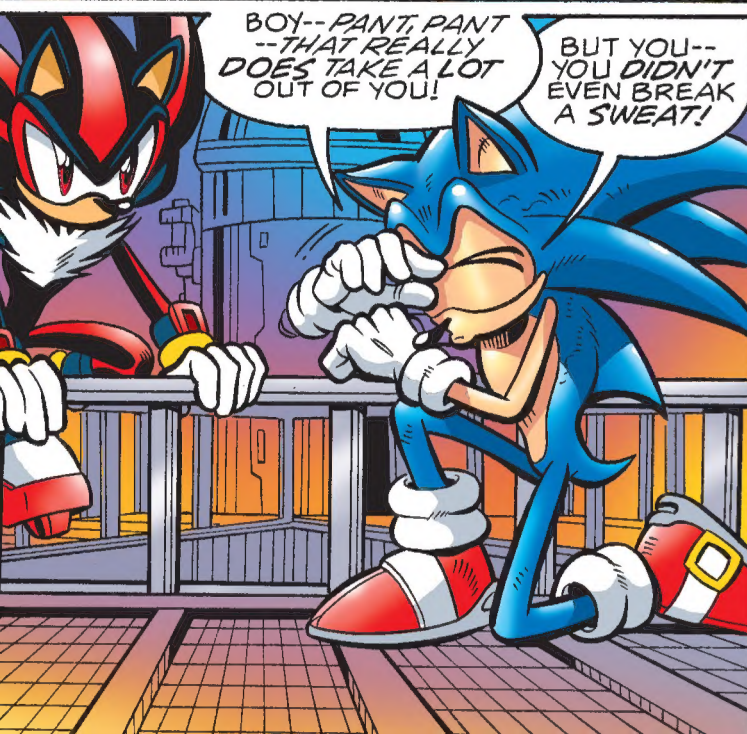
"--THERE'S A BETTER WAY OUT!"

HERE'S THE PRINT-OUT OF THE LAYOUT I DOWNLOADED!

THIS FLOOR COLLAPSED HERE!

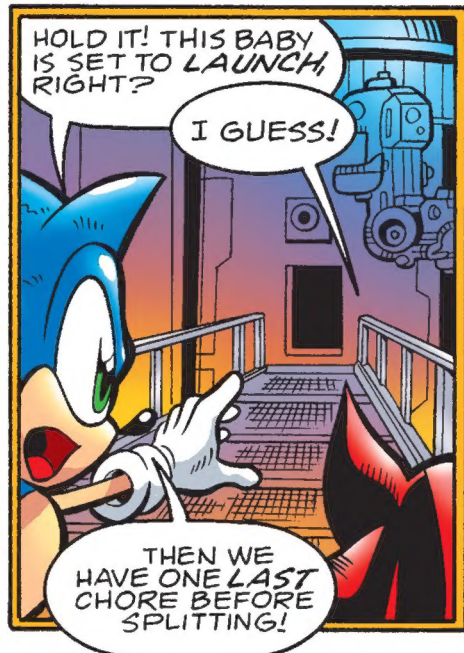
BUT--

--HE TRAVELED A GOOD DISTANCE FROM THAT REFERENCE POINT AFTER--



BOY-- PANT, PANT --THAT REALLY DOES TAKE A LOT OUT OF YOU!

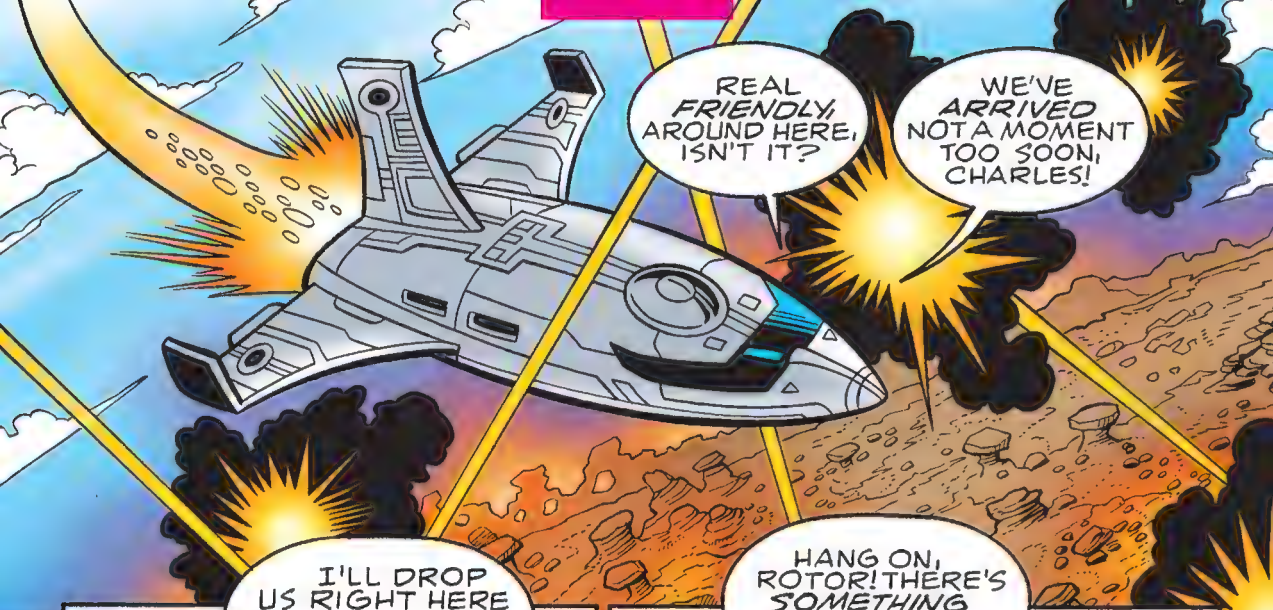
BUT YOU-- YOU DIDN'T EVEN BREAK A SWEAT!



HOLD IT! THIS BABY IS SET TO LAUNCH, RIGHT?

I GUESS!

THEN WE HAVE ONE LAST CHORE BEFORE SPLITTING!



REAL FRIENDLY AROUND HERE, ISN'T IT?

WE'VE ARRIVED NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON, CHARLES!

I'LL DROP US RIGHT HERE AND GO SEE ABOUT FINDING THE KIDS!

NO! YOU STAY WHILE I GO FETCH THEM--

HANG ON, ROTOR! THERE'S SOMETHING DOWN THAT CORRIDOR!

UNLESS IT'S SONIC, WE HAVEN'T TIME FOR SIDE TRIPS, TAILS!

LISTEN TO THE BOY, ROTOR!

YOU YOUNG'UNS SHOULD GET YOUR FANNIES ON THE SHUTTLE OUTSIDE! NOW!

"WHAT ABOUT SONIC?"

WELL, WHADDYA STANDING AROUND WAITING FOR?

WEREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO FIND US A WAY OUT?~

THIS WAY!

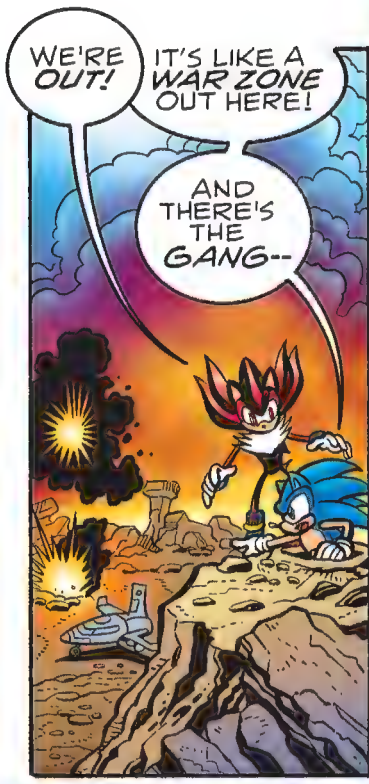
I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THIS LEADS TO, BUT--

DO THE WORDS "ANY-WHERE BUT HERE" HAVE ANY MEANING?

WE'RE OUT!

IT'S LIKE A WAR ZONE OUT HERE!

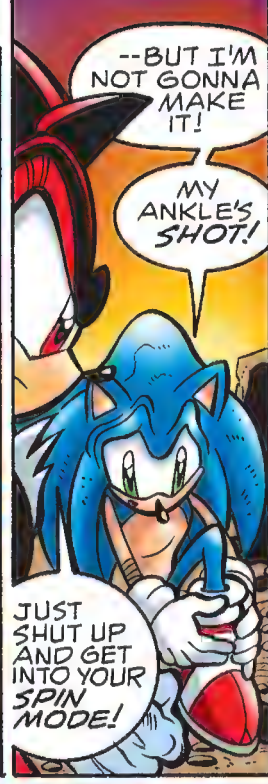
AND THERE'S THE GANG--



--BUT I'M NOT GONNA MAKE IT!

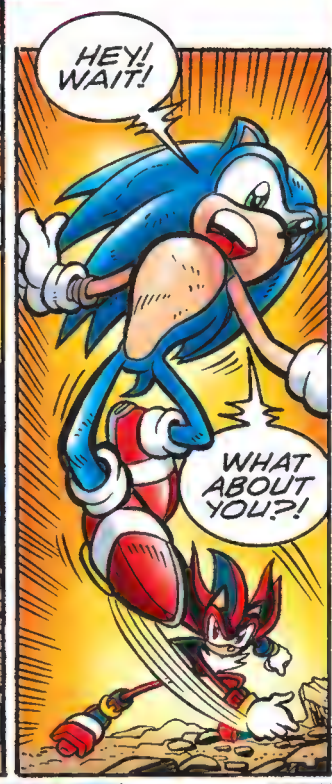
MY ANKLE'S SHOT!

JUST SHUT UP AND GET INTO YOUR SPIN MODE!



HEY! WAIT!

WHAT ABOUT YOU?!



I CREATE MY OWN PATH TO FOLLOW!



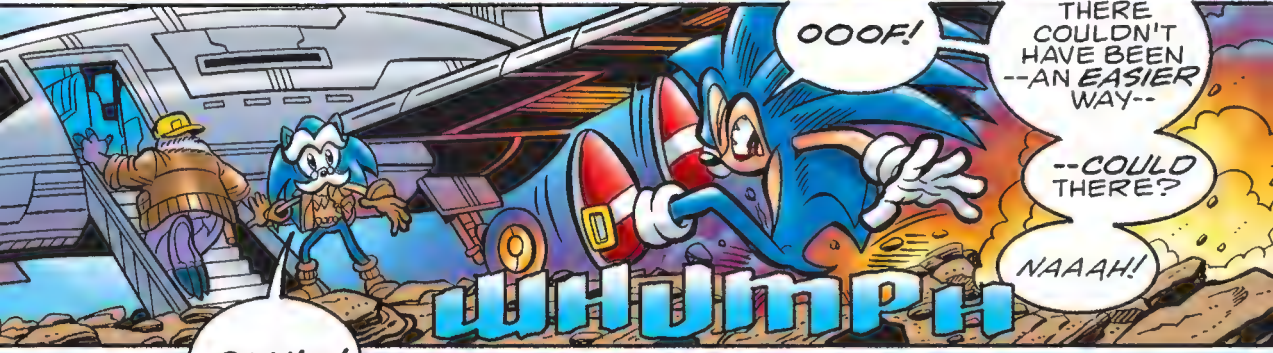
OOOF!

THERE COULDN'T HAVE BEEN --AN EASIER WAY--

--COULD THERE?

NAAAH!

WHUMP

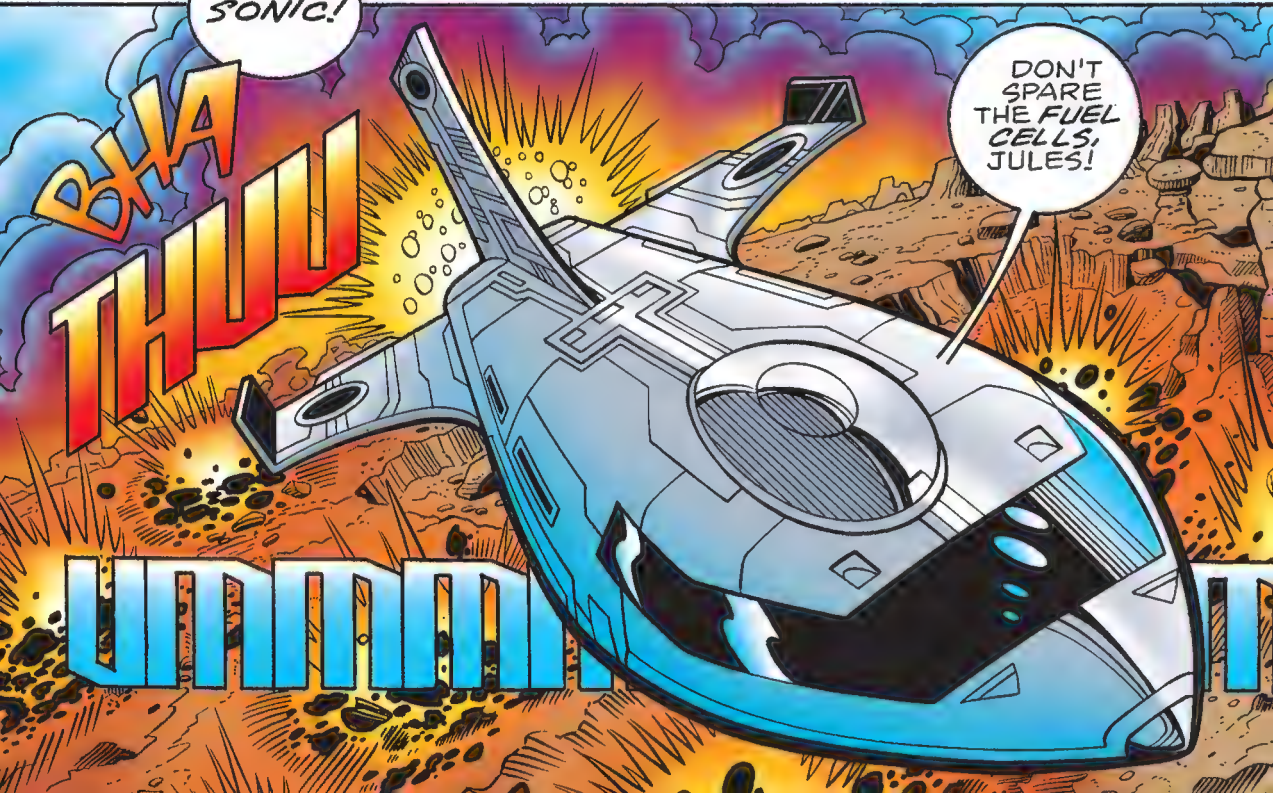


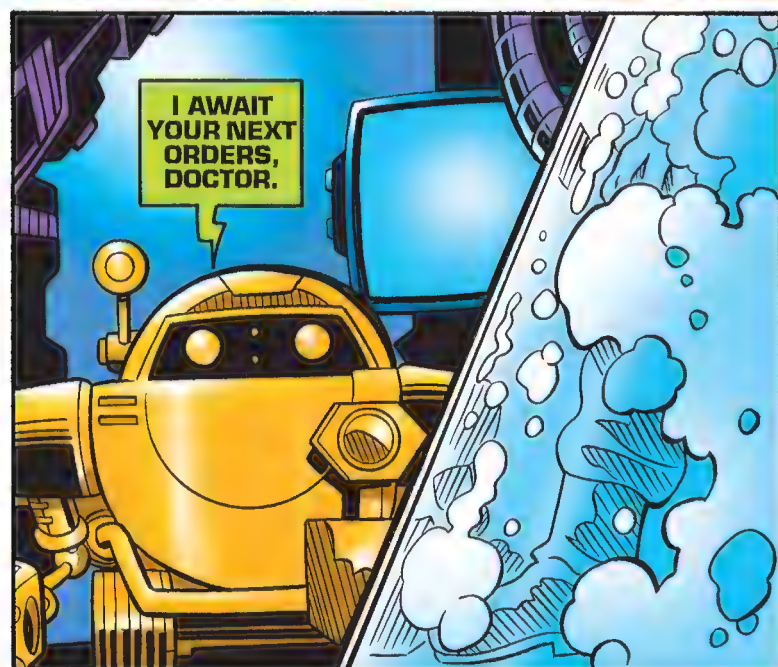
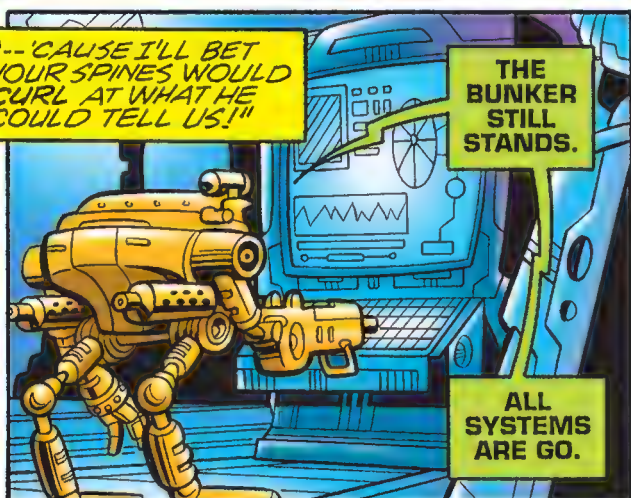
SONIC!

DXIA THUU

UUMMMM

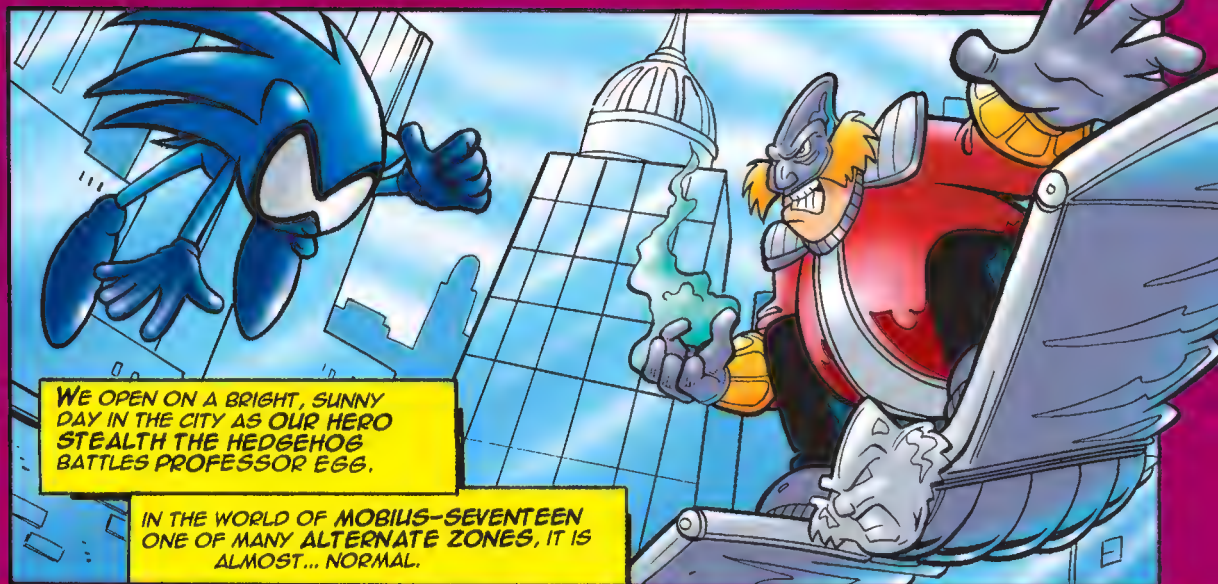
DON'T SPARE THE FUEL CELLS, JULES!





ON THAT OMINOUS NOTE, WE SHIFT GEARS NEXT ISSUE TO CELEBRATE ANOTHER MILESTONE, NAMELY SONIC'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY! BE HERE FOR ... "HERO TO ZERO IN NO TIME AT ALL!" AND JUST WAIT'LL YOU SEE WHO SONIC GETS INVOLVED WITH ... HOO BOY!





WE OPEN ON A BRIGHT, SUNNY DAY IN THE CITY AS OUR HERO STEALTH THE HEDGEHOG BATTLES PROFESSOR EGG.

IN THE WORLD OF MOBIUS-SEVENTEEN ONE OF MANY ALTERNATE ZONES, IT IS ALMOST... NORMAL.



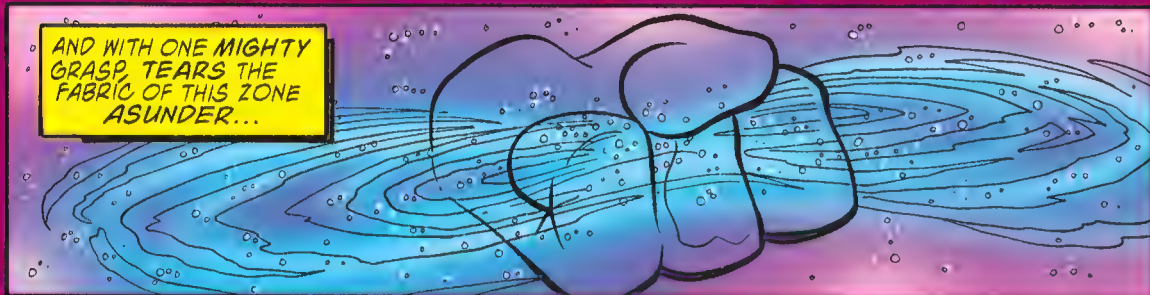
EXCEPT TODAY.



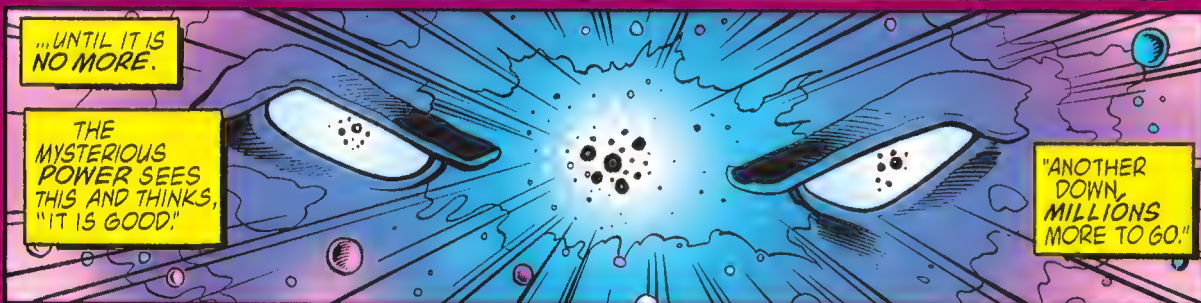
TODAY, A MYSTERIOUS HAND BLOTS OUT THE SUN ITSELF.



TODAY, THAT HAND GROWS BEYOND THE ORB OF MOBIUS-SEVENTEEN, TO REACH THE VERY ESSENCE OF THE GALAXY ITSELF.



AND WITH ONE MIGHTY GRASP, TEARS THE FABRIC OF THIS ZONE ASUNDER...



...UNTIL IT IS NO MORE.

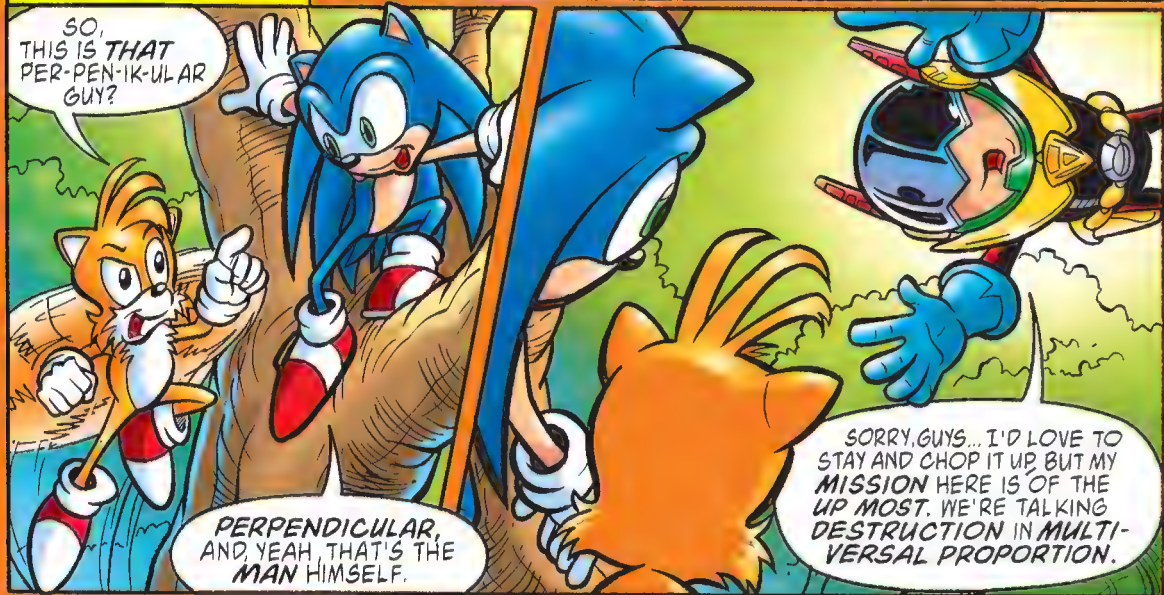
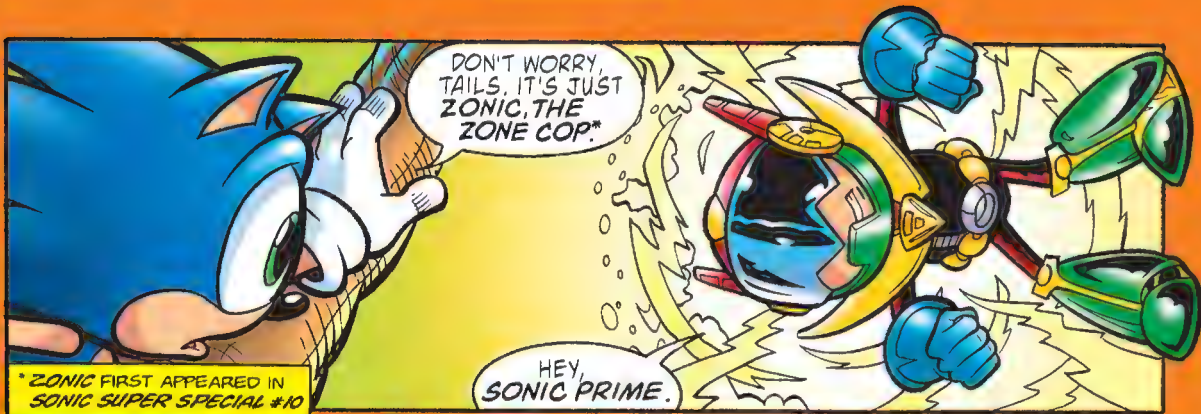
THE MYSTERIOUS POWER SEES THIS AND THINKS, "IT IS GOOD."

"ANOTHER DOWN, MILLIONS MORE TO GO."

THE CHOSEN ONE PART ONE

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TO MY ZONE. SONIC, YOU CAN COME IF YOU'D LIKE,

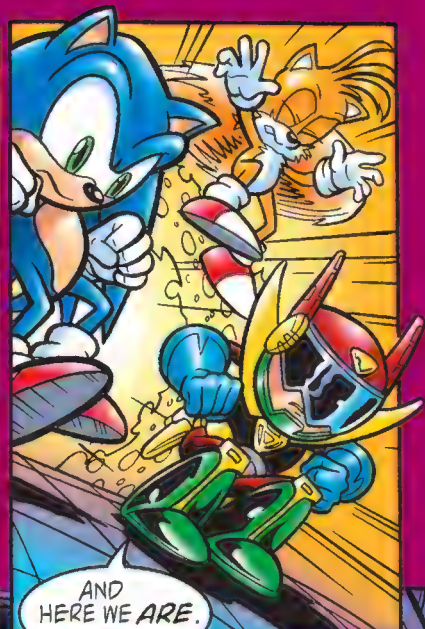
GEE, THANKS.

HERE, WITH THESE SPECIAL WRISTBANDS...

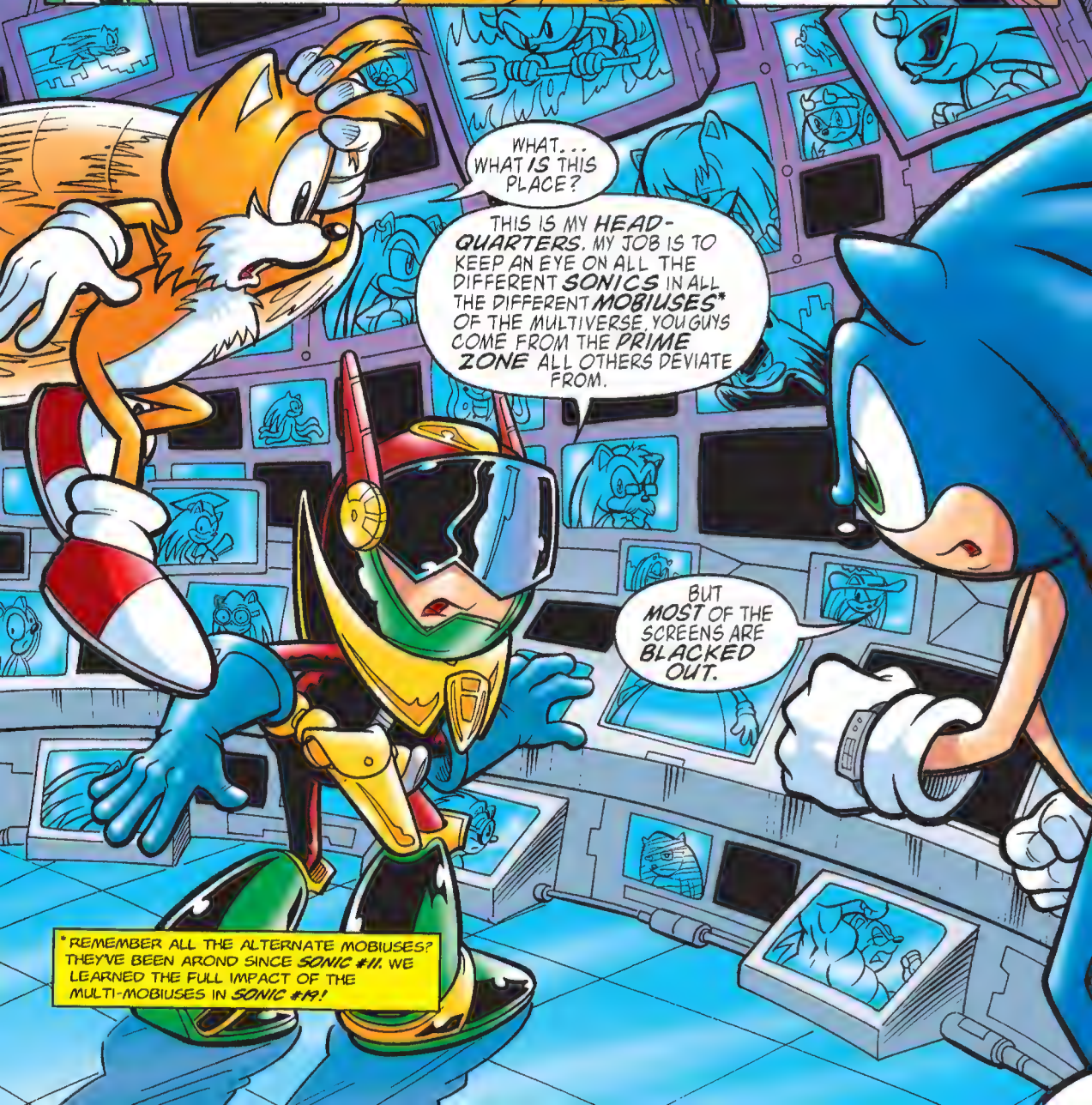


--IT WILL KEEP YOU PERPENDICULAR IN THE PERPENDICULAR ZONE. NOW, HANG ON!

WHOA!!



AND HERE WE ARE.

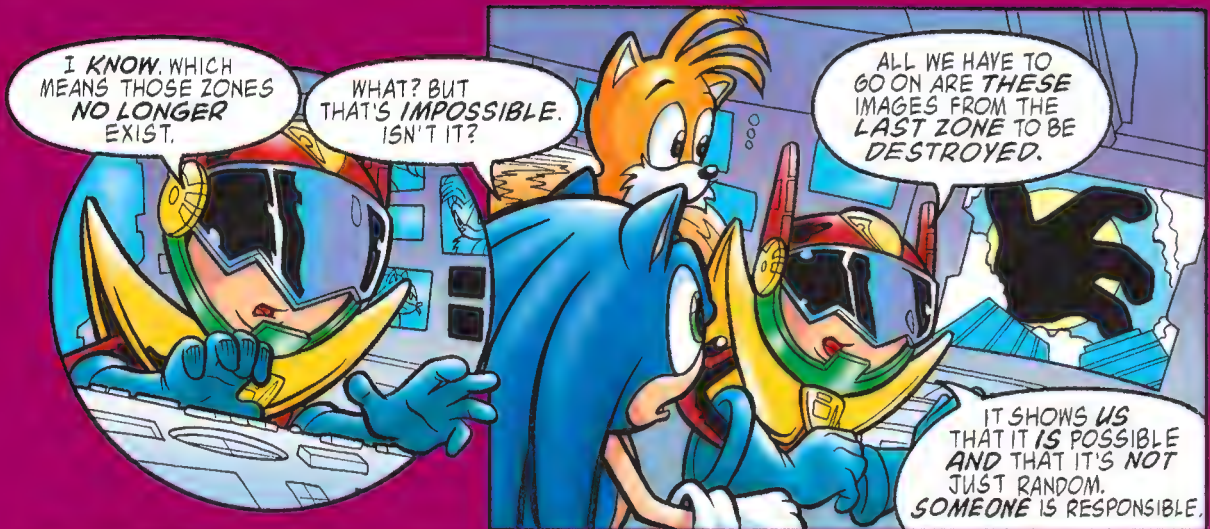


WHAT... WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

THIS IS MY HEAD-QUARTERS. MY JOB IS TO KEEP AN EYE ON ALL THE DIFFERENT SONICS IN ALL THE DIFFERENT MOBIUSES* OF THE MULTIVERSE YOU GUYS COME FROM THE PRIME ZONE ALL OTHERS DEViate FROM.

BUT MOST OF THE SCREENS ARE BLACKED OUT.

*REMEMBER ALL THE ALTERNATE MOBIUSES? THEY'VE BEEN AROUND SINCE SONIC #11. WE LEARNED THE FULL IMPACT OF THE MULTI-MOBIUSES IN SONIC #19!



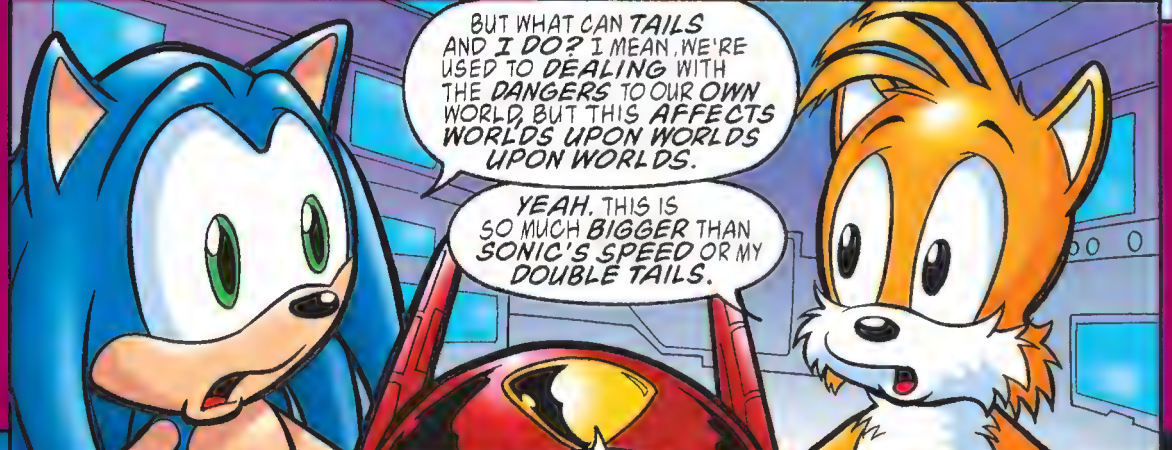
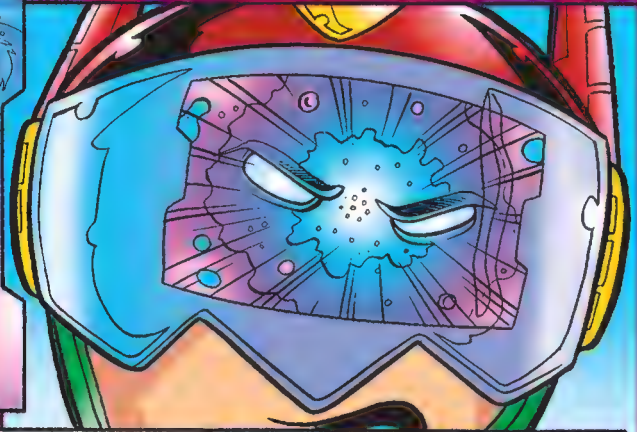
I *KNOW*. WHICH MEANS THOSE ZONES NO LONGER EXIST.

WHAT? BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. ISN'T IT?

ALL WE HAVE TO GO ON ARE *THESE* IMAGES FROM THE LAST ZONE TO BE DESTROYED.

IT SHOWS US THAT IT IS POSSIBLE AND THAT IT'S NOT JUST RANDOM. SOMEONE IS RESPONSIBLE.

"SOMEONE WHO HAS THE POWER TO LITERALLY *BREAK* A ZONE WITH ITS OWN *BARE HANDS*. SO FAR, MILLIONS OF MULTI-VERSE ZONES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BY THIS THING."



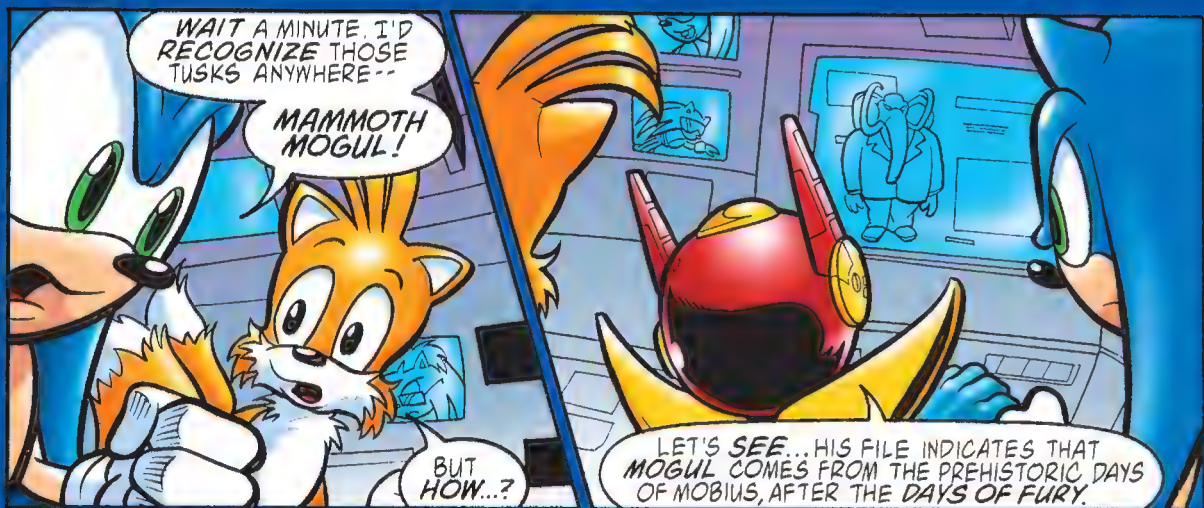
BUT WHAT CAN TAILS AND I DO? I MEAN, WE'RE USED TO DEALING WITH THE DANGERS TO OUR OWN WORLD, BUT THIS AFFECTS WORLDS UPON WORLDS UPON WORLDS.

YEAH. THIS IS SO MUCH BIGGER THAN SONIC'S SPEED OR MY DOUBLE TAILS.

MAYBE. MAYBE NOT.

WHO HAS THE POWER TO DO ALL THIS?

LET ME SHOW YOU AND SEE IF YOU CAN *FIGURE* IT OUT FOR YOURSELF. THEN, I THINK YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHY I'M HERE FOR TAILS PRIME.



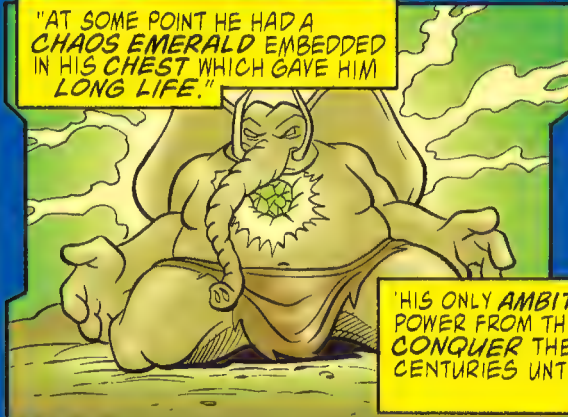
WAIT A MINUTE. I'D
RECOGNIZE THOSE
TUSKS ANYWHERE--

MAMMOTH
MOGUL!

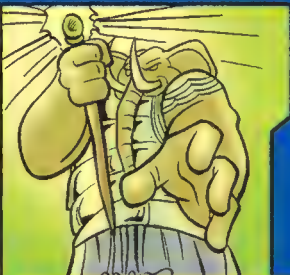
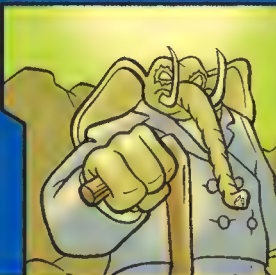
BUT
HOW...?

LET'S SEE... HIS FILE INDICATES THAT
MOGUL COMES FROM THE PREHISTORIC DAYS
OF MOBIUS, AFTER THE DAYS OF FURY.

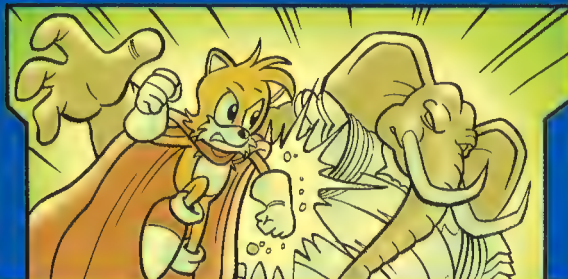
"AT SOME POINT HE HAD A
CHAOS EMERALD EMBEDDED
IN HIS CHEST WHICH GAVE HIM
LONG LIFE."



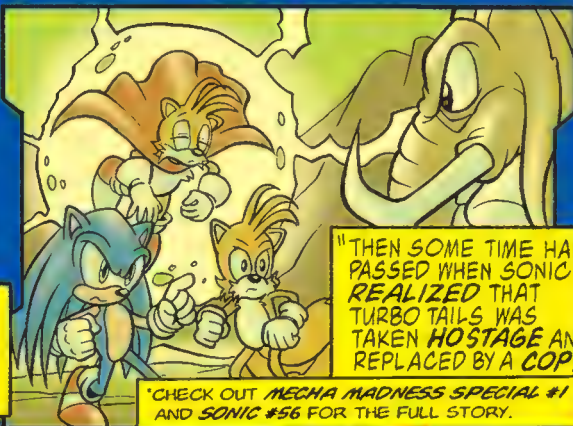
"HIS ONLY AMBITION: TO ABSORB MORE
POWER FROM THE EMERALD AND USE IT TO
CONQUER THE WORLD. HE WAITED FOR
CENTURIES UNTIL THE PERFECT TIME
CAME."



"AND THAT TIME DID
COME WHEN HE TOOK A
DISTRACTED ENERTAK'S
POWERS AND BECAME
MASTER MOGUL."

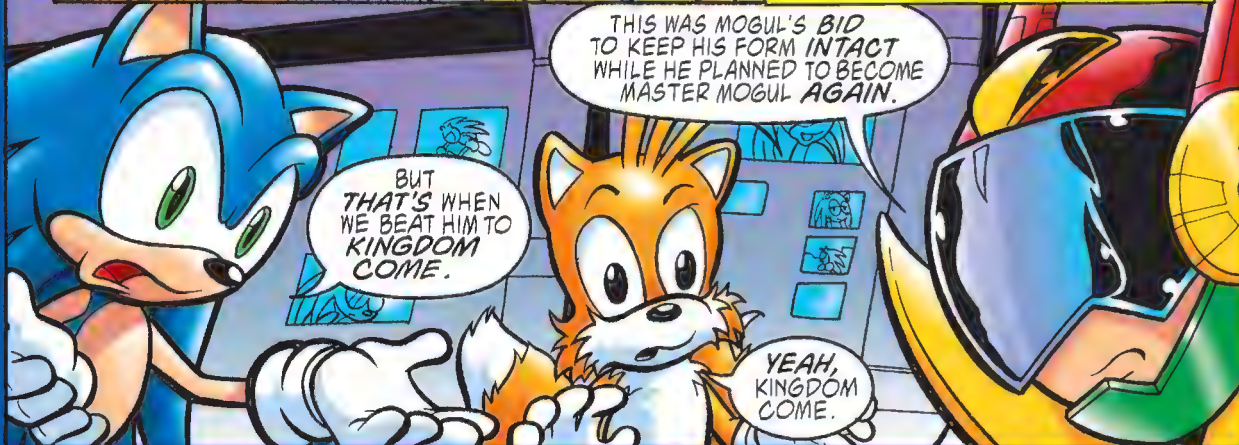


"IT WAS AT THIS TIME THAT HE WAS DEFEATED
BY TAILS IN HIS SUPER-POWERED PERSONA AS
TURBO TAILS. MOGUL'S BODY BECAME FORMLESS,
TRAPPED IN THE MASTER EMERALD, UNTIL IT WAS
LATER SHATTERED."



"THEN SOME TIME HAD
PASSED WHEN SONIC
REALIZED THAT
TURBO TAILS WAS
TAKEN HOSTAGE AND
REPLACED BY A COPY."

"CHECK OUT *MECHA MADNESS SPECIAL #1*
AND *SONIC #56* FOR THE FULL STORY."



THIS WAS MOGUL'S BID
TO KEEP HIS FORM INTACT
WHILE HE PLANNED TO BECOME
MASTER MOGUL AGAIN.

BUT
THAT'S WHEN
WE BEAT HIM TO
KINGDOM
COME.

YEAH,
KINGDOM
COME.

"NO. SEEMS TURBO TAILS WAS HELD LONG ENOUGH TO GIVE HIM SUFFICIENT POWER TO MAKE HIS MOVE AGAINST THE MOST POWERFUL CHAOS ENTITY IN YOUR ZONE AT THE TIME."

"KNUCKLES."

"HE WAS, AT THE TIME, A LIVING CHAOS EMERALD. MOGUL HAD THE FORMER ENERJAK HOSTAGE, BEING A RELATIVE OF KNUCKLES, HE WAS THE PERFECT BAIT."

"MOGUL WAS ABLE TO TRICK KNUCKLES INTO UNLEASHING THE TOTALITY OF HIS POWER. IT WAS AT THIS MOMENT THAT POWER WAS ABSORBED BY MOGUL'S EMBEDDED EMERALD."

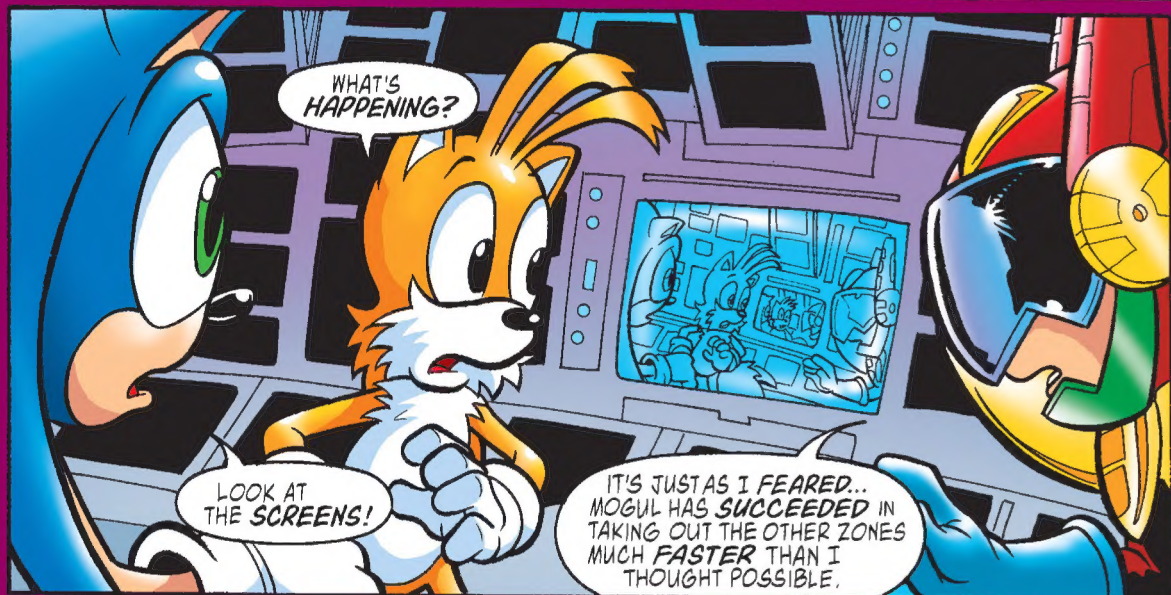
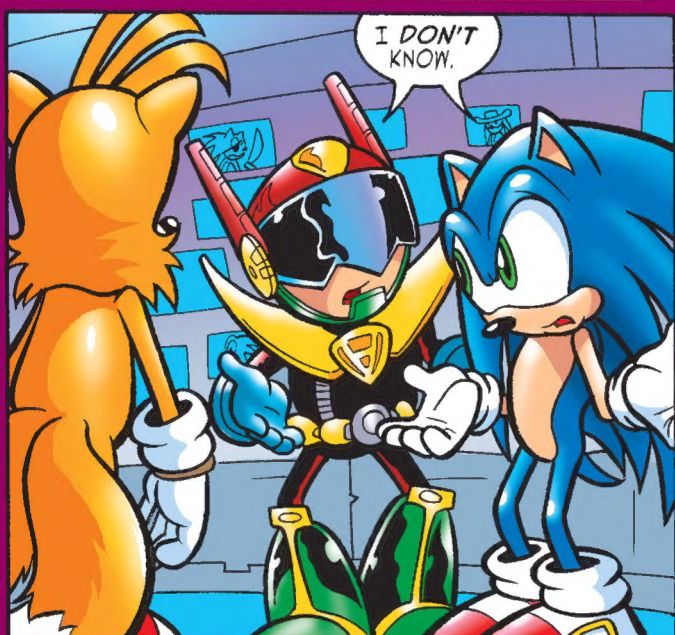
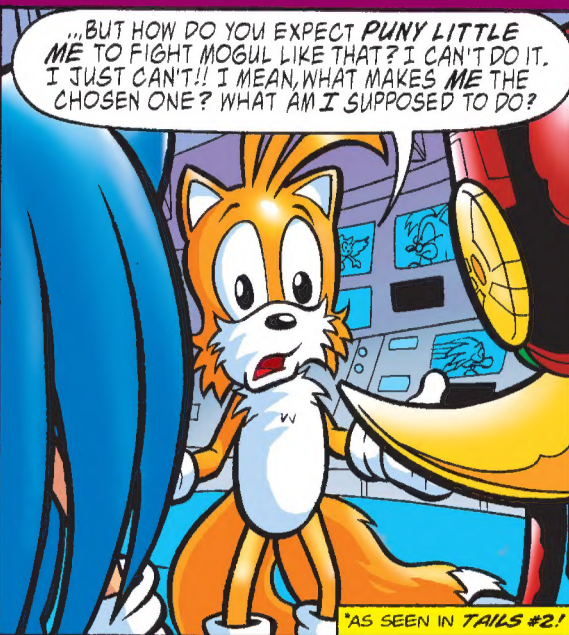
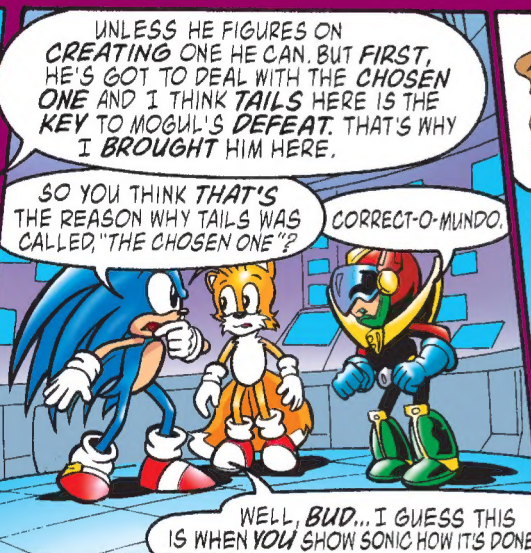
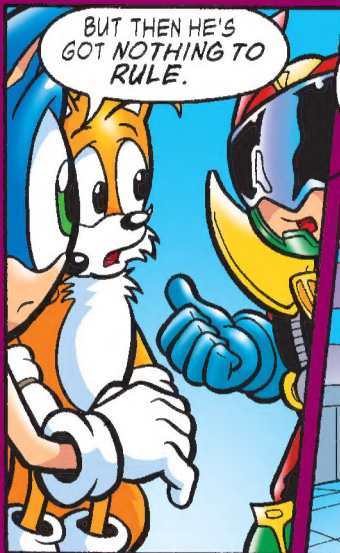
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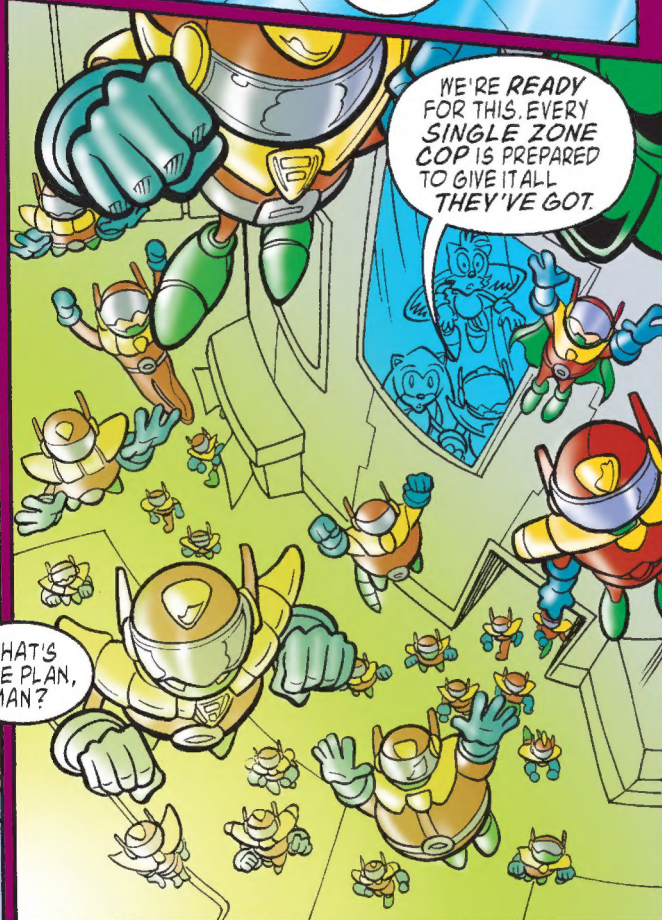
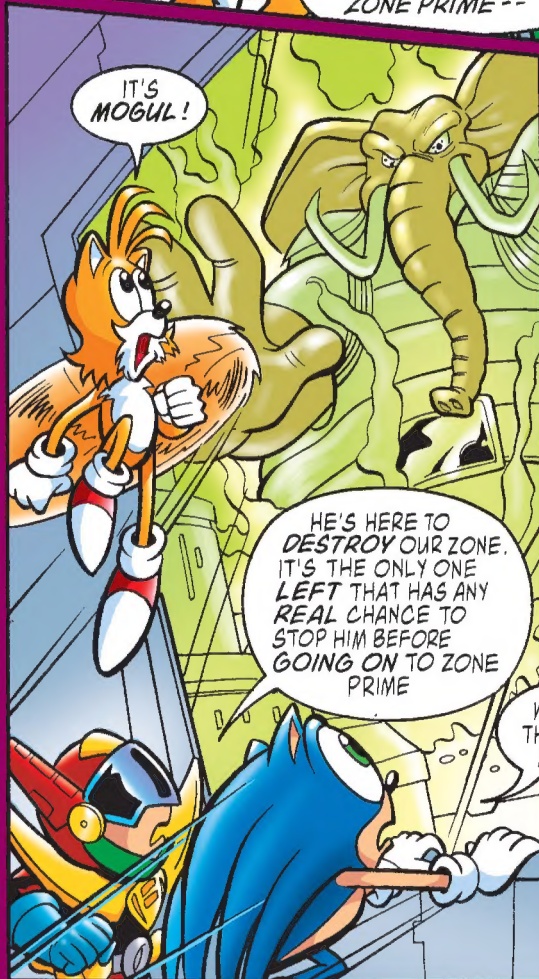
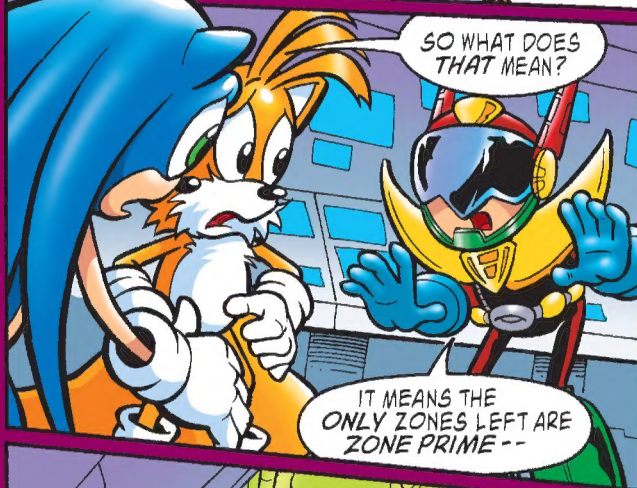
THE EXPLOSION KILLED KNUCKLES.* IF HE HAD STAYED IN THE AFTERLIFE AND BECOME ONE WITH THE CHAOS FORCE, IT WOULD'VE REMAINED IN BALANCE. BUT WHEN KNUCKLES DECIDED TO RETURN TO HELP MOBIUS IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST THE ZORDA, KNUCKLES WAS POWERLESS.

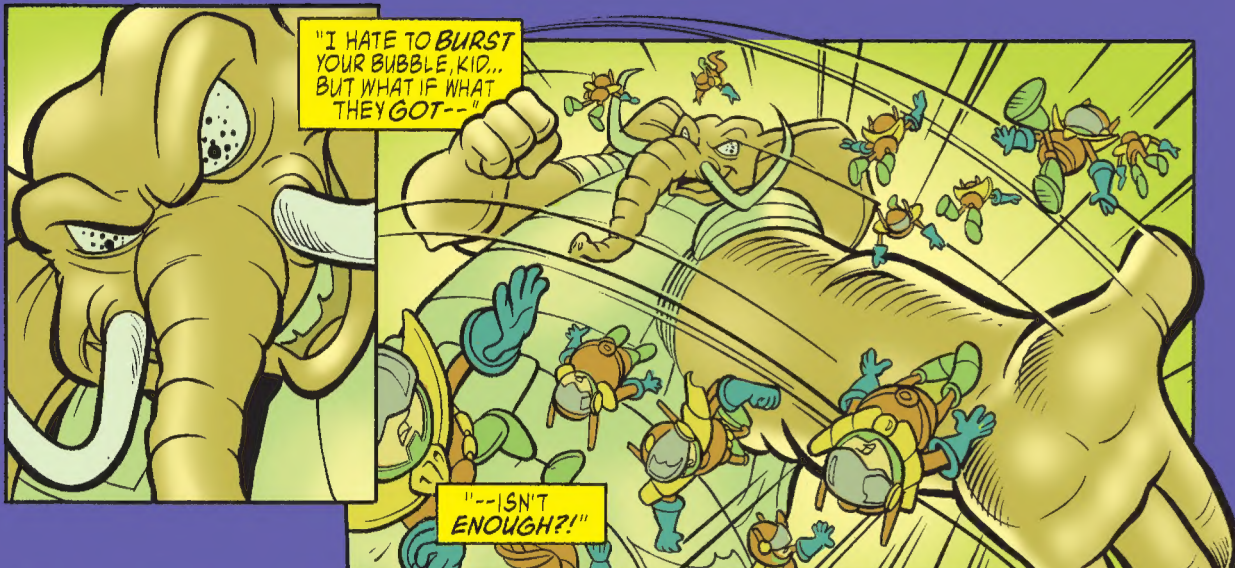
MOGUL, WHO WAS ALSO ONE WITH THE CHAOS FORCE, USED THIS TO HIS ADVANTAGE. ITS UNBALANCE GAVE MOGUL THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE ITS POWER COMPLETELY.

*KNUCKLES RETURNED IN THE EPIC SONIC #125!

HE'LL USE IT TO DESTROY EVERY ZONE IN EXISTENCE.

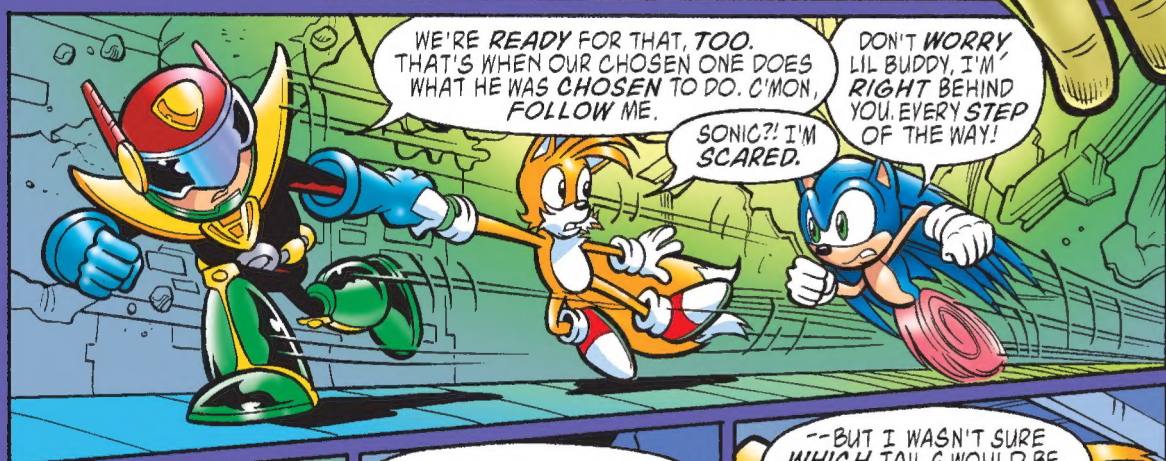






"I HATE TO **BURST** YOUR BUBBLE, KID... BUT WHAT IF WHAT THEY GOT--"

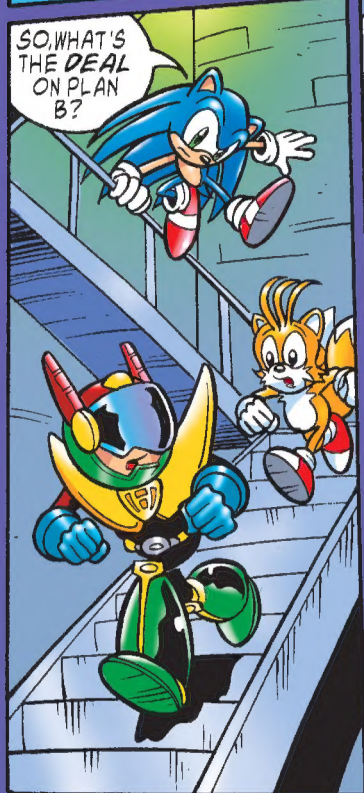
"--ISN'T ENOUGH?!"



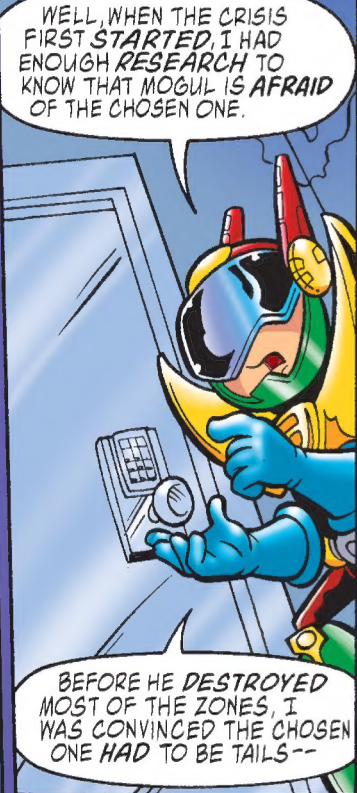
WE'RE READY FOR THAT, TOO. THAT'S WHEN OUR CHOSEN ONE DOES WHAT HE WAS CHOSEN TO DO. C'MON, FOLLOW ME.

SONIC?! I'M SCARED.

DON'T WORRY LIL BUDDY, I'M RIGHT BEHIND YOU. EVERY STEP OF THE WAY!

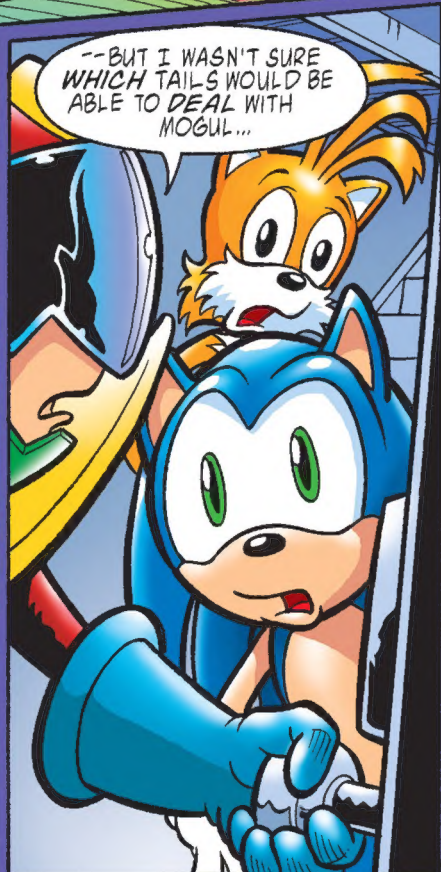


SO, WHAT'S THE **DEAL** ON PLAN B?



WELL, WHEN THE CRISIS FIRST **STARTED**, I HAD ENOUGH **RESEARCH** TO KNOW THAT **MOGUL** IS **AFRAID** OF THE CHOSEN ONE.

BEFORE HE DESTROYED MOST OF THE ZONES, I WAS CONVINCED THE CHOSEN ONE **HAD** TO BE **TAILS**--



--BUT I WASN'T SURE WHICH TAILS WOULD BE ABLE TO **DEAL** WITH **MOGUL**...



...SO I
BROUGHT
THEM
ALL.

...TO BE
CONTINUED!